

ROPEX

Sponsored by the Rochester Philatelic Association

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ROPEX 3-D CREATIVE EXHIBITOR PROSPECTUS - RULES and REGULATIONS

ROPEX is pleased to sponsor a 3-D creative exhibit competition for kids aged 8-16. It encourages artwork with the inclusion of appropriate philatelic elements to represent a unified theme or idea.

1. ROPEX 2008 is being held May 16-18 at the ESL Sports Centre on the campus of Monroe Community College, 2700 Brighton-Henrietta Town Line Rd. It is located off of I-390 at East Henrietta Rd (Route 15A), about 10 minutes from the airport to the south of the City of Rochester.

Submitting an Entry

2. Entry is limited to youngsters ages 6-16 as of January 1 of the show year.

3. Entrants are encouraged to apply no later than April 1 to ensure inclusion in the ROPEX program and will be accepted on a first-come basis. The Exhibit Committee reserves the right to limit entry to a set number of participants and/or reject any entry at its discretion.

4. Materials exhibited must be the bona fide property and prepared by the owner, and abide by the following specifications:

- Each exhibit must have a title
- Each exhibit must feature at least five or more different postage stamps (or philatelic elements)
- Each exhibit must include a short (25 words or less) descriptive paragraph that will accompany the display
- Stamps must be mounted using appropriate protective mounts to prevent stamp damage from occurring
- Stamps featured must directly reflect the overall exhibit theme or topic
- If being shipped, the exhibit must be constructed in a sturdy manner to withstand normal shipping and handling processing. If being mailed, when necessary, set-up instructions should be included

5. All entries must be made on official ROPEX 3-D Creative Exhibit entry form. There is no entry fee.

Mail-In Exhibit Instructions

6 Details for mail-in exhibitors will be sent out approximately one month before the show. Do not send exhibits before receiving this information.

7 Mail-in exhibits must be sent prepaid with complete return postage, appropriate forms/labels, and a re-mailable box/container suitable for the size and fragile nature of the entry.

Walk-in Exhibit Instructions

8 Personally delivered exhibits will only be received by the Exhibit Committee at the ROPEX site between the hours of 1:00 PM and 6:00 PM on the Thursday preceding the show.

Presentation

9 All entries will be publicly displayed on the ROPEX floor. Due care and protection will be given to all entries.

Judging

10 The jury will consist of a panel of a minimum of 2 judges selected at the discretion of the ROPEX Committee. The judges' decisions shall be final in all cases.

Awards

11 An unlimited number of gold, silver and bronze award levels will be available for presentation by the judges. Corresponding prizes will consist of ribbons, medals, and/or other gifts at the discretion of the ROPEX Committee.

12 One Grand Champion will be selected from all of the submitted entries by the judges.

Show Closing

13 Exhibits will be released starting at 3:00 PM Sunday at the close of the show, and as a safety precaution, only when all visitors have exited.

14. Those being returned by mail will be sent within 48 hours of the show's closing provided return postage has been prepaid.

Insurance & Security

15. All reasonable care will be taken to ensure the safety of all exhibits, including security around the clock. However, no responsibility shall be attached to the Rochester Philatelic Association, Inc., its members, ROPEX, the ROPEX Show Committee and/or its representatives, the Exhibit Committee, the ESL Centre, employees, or all other voluntary assistants, for any loss of, or damage to, an exhibit arising from any cause whatsoever.

16 Questions concerning the exhibition and not provided for by these Rules and Regulations will be decided by the ROPEX Show Committee.

Awards Dinner

The ROPEX banquet will be held on Saturday evening, with awards being presented to exhibitors in attendance. **Tickets will be available only through advanced registration.** Details will be sent to all interested exhibitors prior to the show.